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## Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant

This application is a 371 of PCT/US03/33132 10/17/2003  
which claims benefit of 60/419,477 10/18/2002

## Foreign Applications

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**Title**

Isostatic pressure assisted wafer bonding method

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### **ISOSTATIC PRESSURE ASSISTED WAFER BONDING METHOD**

the specification of which (check one)

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(X) was filed on April 13, 2005 as  
Application Serial No. 10/531,553  
and  
was filed on October 17, 2003 as  
International Application No. PCT/US2003/033132  
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That I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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#### **United States Application(s)**

<u>60/419,477</u> (Application Serial No.)	<u>Oct. 18, 2002</u> (Filing Date)	<u>Pending</u> (Status)-(Patented, pending, abandoned)
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